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In re Application of
Anderson et al
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Decision on Petition

This decision is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181 filed 28 April 2006, to
regarding a requirement under 1.182 et al (sequence rules).

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

This application contains nucleic acid and amino acid sequences. Applicants have submitted a computer readable form of the sequence listing, a paper copy of the sequence listing and a letter stating that the electronic copy and paper copy of the sequence listings are identical, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.812, *et seq.*

In addition to meeting the requirements of 37 CFR 1.182 *et seq.*, the examiner has requested that an indication of antisense orientation be placed in field <223> of the sequence listing.

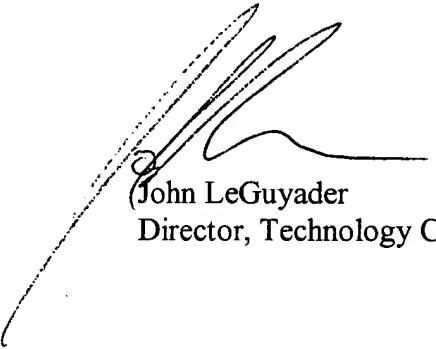
This request has been made in error. Applicants are not required to state that the sequence is antisense in section 223. The only mandatory use of <223> is for the use 'n' or 'Xaa' in the sequence or use of Artificial or Unknown for the organism. Any other information the applicant wants to include in a feature is optional.

DECISION

The petition to withdraw the restriction requirement is **GRANTED**. The letters mailed on November 2, 2005 and February 29, 2006 are hereby vacated and no response to them is required by applicants.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner to consider the amendment and response filed on 12 August 2005 and to prepare an action which is consistent with this petition decision.

Should there be any questions regarding this decision, please contact Special Program Examiner Julie Burke, by mail addressed to Director, Technology Center 1600, PO BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at (571) 272-1600 or by Official Fax at 571-273-8300.



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